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TAGS: SNAR, PE  
SUBJECT: MORE THAN 2,000 KILOS, COCAINE PAST BURNED

1. PRESS APRIL 21 GAVE PROMINENT SPACE TO DESTRUCTION BY GOP OF 607 MILLION SOLES (US\$4,669.230 AT OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE) OF NARCOTICS, PRIMARILY COCA PASTE. THE FOUR-HOUR BURNING CEREMONY, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT A BRICK KILN OUTSIDE LIMA, WAS WITNESSED BY BY THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR, TOP POLICE OFFICIALS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HEALTH MINISTRY AND A NOTARY PUBLIC. IN THIS, THE NINTH IN A SERIES OF BURNINGS, THE GOP DESTROYED COCA PAST (MORE THAN 2,000 KILOS), MARIJUANA (384 KILOS), COCAINE CHLORHYDRATE (MORE THAN 142 KILOS) AND OTHER DRUGS SEIZED BY POLICE AUTHORITES SINCE MARCH 22, 1977. CHEMICALS AND LAB EQUIPMENT WERE ALSO DESTROYED IN THE ACT.

2. COMMENT: THE PROMINENT COVERAGE GIVEN DESTRUCTION OF NARCOTICS COMES CLOSE ON THE HEELS OF WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY RECENTLY GIVEN STUDIES OF THE EFFECTS OF DRUG BY PERUVIAN YOUTH.  
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